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Dear Sir

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My husband decided to leave the marriage of ten years, because he did not want the "headache" of all the responsibility that went along with raising two small children, ages two and four.

I was a stay at home mom for five years of that time, because the job I had called for me to travel. We both decided it would be best for our family if I stayed at home. The job I had was in computers. Now I could not go back in to computers unless I went back to school. With the child support and salary I make there is no way I can come up with the money for school.

We were separated six months before he wanted a divorce. Four months before he filed he left a job paying \$60,000.00 a year. He had some less paying jobs, before he decided to go in to business for him self in the same field of work.

He told the friends of the court he made \$20,000.00 a year but in court it came out he makes about \$30,000.00 to \$35,000.00 a year, I had to fight to get child support based on \$32,000.00 a year for two children. At that amount of child support I am barely making the rent, heat, electric, food, clothing, school actives and child care.

Day care is \$3.00 an hour per child. This is \$6.00 an hour x 40 hours= \$240.00 per month. Out of the child support \$26.00 a month go's for day care. My X husband pays for less than half of day care expenses, I have to come up with the rest.

When the children are sick I have to stay home, which will result in personal days used up. I get one every other month. When that is used up it is a reduction in pay. I a lone had to use three days because of sickness and office visits.

I am just making my bills now with no extra money left over. While my X is on his 2<sup>nd</sup> vacation this year. He sees the children about 54 days a year, per his choice. At 360 days per year, how does that make if fare for his child support to be lowered?

Please don't let this happen. The responsibility of raising and caring for the Children should be for both parents. Lowering the amount of child support would put the responsibility only on one parent.

Thank you,-

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